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SUBJECT: VISIT OF UNDER SECRETARY HABIB

REF A) PIERCE/SIMMS TELECON OF JUNE 8, (B) BRIDGETOWN 1274

- 1. REFTEL REPORTED THAT MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FORDE WOULD SEE MR. HABIB ON JUNE 22. THE HOUR OF THE APPOINTMENT IS TO BE ARRANGED AFTER FORDE'S RETURN FROM LONDON, WHERE HE IS ATTENDING COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE. APPOINTMENT FOR MR. HABIB WITH CDB PRESIDENT WILLIAM DEMAS HS BEEN SET FOR 9:15 AM JUNE 22.
- 2. IN CONVERSATION BETWEEN MR. HABIB AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, IT SEEMS LIKELY LATTER WILL RAISE FOLLOWING ISSUES.
- A) COMPENSATION BY US FOR PAST USE OF NAVAL FACILITY;
- B) US POLICY TOWARD SOUTHERN AFRICA;
- C) US IMMIGRATION POLICY;
- D) US AID POLICY;
- E) US POLICY TOWARD CUBA; AND
- F) TERRORIST ACTIVITIES BY CUBAN EXILES.

MR HABIB MAY WISH TO DISCUSS ALSO:

A) RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT FOR USE OF NAVAL FACILITY; CONFIDENTIAL

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B) GOB VOTING RECORD AT THE LAST UNGA;

C) GOB POSITION ON VARIOUS ISSUES UNDER CONSIDERATION

AT LOS CONFERENCE;

D) GOB POSITION ON OAS CHARTER REFORM; AND

E) PROSPECTS FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION IN CARIBBEAN.

3. IN CONVERSATION WITH DEMAS, MR. HABIB MAY WISH TO

SOLICIT HIS VIEWS ON FUTURE OF REGIONALISM AND TO EXPLORE MEANS OF MAKING US AID ADMINISTERED THROUGH CDB MORE RESPONSIVE TO NEEDS OF LDC'S. DEMAS IS EXPECTED TO TAISE QUESTION OF UNTYING OF AID CONTRIBUTIONS TO CDB (IN HIS VIEW, AID CONTRIBUTIONS TO CDB SHOULD NOT BE LINKED TO ANY SPECIFIC PROJECT).

4. SINCE GOB HAS NOT OFFERED ANY HOSPITALITY, I PROPOSE HOST STAG LUNCHEON FOR MR. HABIB ON JUNE 22. TENTATIVE GUEST LIST CONSISTS OF 12 PERSONS, INCLUDING MESSRS. HABIB, TICE, STUMAN AND SELF. ALL OTHERS WOULD BE GOB OFFICIALS, EXCEPT DEMAS AND IADB REPRESENTATIVE PEREIRA DASILVA. IF MR HABIB PREFERS FOREIGN GUESTS BE EXCLUSIVELY BARBADIAN, PLEASE ADVISE. SIMMS

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